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Sir:

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- 1. We are the sole inventors of the subject matter claimed in U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/747,253.
- 2. We currently and were at all times mentioned herein employed by Sony Electronics Inc., the assignee of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/747,253.